GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Public Services – PR&RD – Allegations of irregularities in execution of road work "Providing BT to the road from Chowtapalli to Jupeda via Gaigollapalli of Kusumanchi (M), Khammam Distirct – Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District - Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.IA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 575. Dated: 09.04.2012

ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

- 2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II and III).
- 3. Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District is directed to submit within (10) days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.
- 4. Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of article of those charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny article of charge.
- 5. Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the period specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte.
- 6. Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

C.R. BISWAL PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem and presently Assistant Executive Engineer, PIU Sub-Division, Madhira of Khammam District through the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad.

(in duplicate with a request to serve and return the dated acknowledgement copy)
Copy to:

The G.A.(V&E) Dept. (w.r.t.Vigilance Report No.116 (1503/V&E/E2/2007-6), dt. 23.09.2010. The PR&RD (Estt.III) Department. SF/SC

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ANNEXURE-I

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 575, PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.09.04.2012)

STATEMENT OF DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE AGAINST SRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PR SUB-DIVISION, TIRUMALAYAPALEM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT EXECUTVE ENGINEER, PIU SUB-DIVISION, MADHIRA OF KHAM,M,AM DISTRICT.

CHARGE:

That the said Sri V. Rajeshwar Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR Sub-Division, Tirumalayapalem, recorded the 75 mm metal layer pertaining to the work "Providing BT road from Chowtapalli to Jupeda via Gaigollapalli of Kusumanchi (M)" which was not at all executed and caused excess payment. Also, the said officer executed substandard B.T. work. Thus the individual failed to maintain integrity in executing the said work and deviated from his legitimate duties.

Basis:

As per the findings of the Vigilance Report No.116 (1503/V&E/E2/2007-6), dt. 23.09.2010, the 75 mm metal layer pertaining to the work "Providing BT road from Chowtapalli to Jupeda via Gaigollapalli of Kusumanchi (M)" was not at all executed at some locations i.e., at KM:4/850, 5/170 and 5/830, but the aid officer has recorded this "not executed" part of the work. Further, the weight of the metal at KM 4/200 is observed as 37.95% less which is more than the allowable of 20% is to be rejected as per the Government instructions in their Memo No.15320/Vig.I/2005-1, dt. 12.05.2006. The value of this rejected part of the work along with the payment made for the not executed 75 mm metal layer is amounting to Rs.5,75,971/-. Thus the said officer is directly responsible for excess payments to the contractor.

Also, oversize in Grade-II & Grade-III HBG metal in the work "Providing BT Road from Chowtapalli to Jupeda via Gaigollapalli of Kusumanchi (M)" were observed during the inspection of the work, for which an amount of Rs.37,143/- is proposed.

The deficiency in bitumen component is observed to be more than the allowable 15% and hence it is to be rejected as per the Government instructions in their Memo No.15320/Vig.I/2005-1, dt. 12.05.2006. The value of this rejected part of the work is Rs.31,35,825/-.

Also the Executive Engineer, Quality Control was proposed for recovery of Rs.8,903/-towards oversize in Grade-II metal layer.

Thus the said officer has failed to maintain the required standards in execution of the said work.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-II

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 575 PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.09.04.2012)

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PR SUB-DIVISION, TIRUMALAYAPALEM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT EXECUTVE ENGINEER, PIU SUB-DIVISION, MADHIRA OF KHAM,M,AM DISTRICT.

General Administration (V&E) Dept., Vigilance Report No. 116 (1503/V&E/E2/2007-6), dt. 23.09.2010.

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ANNEXURE-III

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 575, PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.09.04.2012)

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PR SUB-DIVISION, TIRUMALAYAPALEM AND PRESENTLY ASSISTANT EXECUTVE ENGINEER, PIU SUB-DIVISION, MADHIRA OF KHAM,M,AM DISTRICT.

- NIL -

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